

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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August 18, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

20 August 18, 2015

ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING AND
ADOPT AND ADVERTISE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION
SAN GABRIEL BOULEVARD/PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD
FROM HUNTINGTON DRIVE TO MONTEBELLO BOULEVARD
IN THE CITIES OF MONTEBELLO, ROSEMEAD, SAN GABRIEL, AND SAN MARINO
AND IN VARIOUS UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREAS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 5)
(4 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to authorize Highways-Through-Cities financial assistance to the Cities of Montebello, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and San Marino, and to approve and advertise San Gabriel Boulevard/Paramount Boulevard from Huntington Drive to Montebello Boulevard project in the Cities of Montebello, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and San Marino and in various unincorporated areas in the County of Los Angeles; find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt Resolution No. 3965 and the plans and specifications; and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 3965 finding that the project is of general County interest and that the County of Los Angeles aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of \$2,173,000 shall be provided to the Cities of Montebello, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and San Marino to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.
- 3. Approve and advertise the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for traffic signal modification, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$1,500,000 and \$2,100,000.
- 4. Instruct the Acting Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on September 15, 2015, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.
- 5. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in Public Contract Code Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; and (2) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of Public Contract Code Section 4104.5.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is for the Board to approve and advertise the project, adopt Resolution No. 3965 and the plans and specifications, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director or her designee to carry out this project.

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals will be along San Gabriel Boulevard/Paramount Boulevard from Huntington Drive to Montebello Boulevard.

Board adoption of the enclosed resolution approves a County of Los Angeles contribution of Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds of \$2,173,000 to finance the Cities of Montebello, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and San Marino's jurisdictional shares of the project cost.

Section 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the Board of Supervisors of any County may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general County interest and that County aid shall be extended therefor.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3).

The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing improved traffic flow for the traveling public, which will benefit the Cities and communities.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$1,500,000 to \$2,100,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$2,950,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the cost of plans and specifications, consultant services, materials testing, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services. See the attached table for the share of total project cost amongst the five jurisdictions involved and their corresponding HTC funding.

The project cost will be financed with \$2,157,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds, and \$793,000 in County Proposition C Local Return funds. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot annual allocation from the County's Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$793,000 will be funded from this allocation. See the attached table showing the HTC funding.

Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

This project is part of the Department of Public Works' ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

The County previously executed cooperative agreements that outline the roles and responsibilities associated with this traffic signal synchronization project with the City of Montebello on January 28, 2009; City of Rosemead on April 29, 2013; City of San Gabriel on September 13, 2012; and City San Marino on September 13, 2012.

This project is to be completed in 120 working days. It is anticipated the work will start in February 2016 and be completed in July 2016.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the Los Angeles County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsections (x)(4), (x)(5), (x)(14), and (x)(22) of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the modification of existing traffic signal systems; installation of new traffic signal systems; reconstruction of roadway pavement, curbs and gutters, and sidewalks; and the maintenance of existing roadway facilities.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award by the Board will be made upon review of the bids. The contract will be awarded to a responsible contractor who submits the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Us" and Public Works' "Contract Opportunities" websites for upcoming bids.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved traffic flow thereby benefiting the Cities and unincorporated areas in the County.

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# **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one signed copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

# TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION SAN GABRIEL BOULEVARD/PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD

| SAN GABRIEL BOULEVARD/PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD |    |                         |    |           |
|---|----|-------------------------|----|-----------|
| FUNDING                                   |    |                         |    |           |
|   | PR | PROJECT COSTS HTC FUNDS |    |           |
| COUNTY                                    | \$ | 777,000                 | \$ | 0         |
| MONTEBELLO                                | \$ | 340,000                 | \$ | 340,000   |
| ROSEMEAD                                  | \$ | 545,000                 | \$ | 545,000   |
| SAN GABRIEL                               | \$ | 1,210,000               | \$ | 1,210,000 |
| SAN MARINO                                | \$ | 78,000                  | \$ | 78,000    |
| Total                                     | \$ | 2,950,000               | \$ | 2,173,000 |

# RESOLUTION NO. 3965 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO EXTEND COUNTY AID TO THE CITIES OF MONTEBELLO, ROSEMEAD, SAN GABRIEL AND SAN MARINO FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF MONTEBELLO, ROSEMEAD, SAN GABRIEL, AND SAN MARINO hereinafter referred to as CITIES, and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, desire to modify and synchronize the traffic signals along San Gabriel/Paramount Boulevard from Huntington Drive to Montebello Boulevard, which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY proposes to construct PROJECT at no cost to CITIES; and

WHEREAS, portions of PROJECT are located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY and CITIES previously executed cooperative agreements which outlined the roles and responsibilities associated with this PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of PROJECT is currently estimated to be Two Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,950,000.00); and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the San Gabriel Valley Traffic Forum, and COUNTY'S Proposition C Local Return match funds; and

WHEREAS, the total PROJECT cost will be financed with Two Million One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,157,000.00) in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the San Gabriel Valley Traffic Forum and Seven Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$793,000.00) in Proposition C Local Return match funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the Seven Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$793,000.00) will be funded from this TOP allocation; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is consistent with the scope of work for traffic improvements within CITIES pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Numbers P00F1321 between COUNTY and LACMTA; and

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The PROJECT is of general COUNTY interest and County aid shall be extended therefore.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Streets and Highways Code sections 1680-1683, to extend aid to CITIES in the amount of Two Million One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,173,000.00) for PROJECT from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

SECTION 3. The financial obligations of the COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from LACMTA pursuant to MOU Number P00F1321 between COUNTY and LACMTA.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 18th day of August, 2015, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



PATRICK OGAWA
Acting Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY WICKHAM Interim County Counsel

Deputy